

Administrators to give notice to heirs resident in the state of the time of meeting of auditors. Proviso. When residence of heirs not known to be given in newspapers.

when the said auditors shall have fixed upon the said day, and have given notice thereof to one or more of the administrators, it shall be the duty of the administrator or administrators, to give notice to the respective heirs who reside in this state, of the time and place of the meeting of the said auditors, for the purpose aforesaid: *Provided*, That the notice as to those whose residence is unknown, or who reside out of this state, shall be sufficient if published at least once a week for four months successively, in at least one newspaper printed in the county where the letters of administration may have been granted, or if there be none therein, then in the county nearest thereto wherein a newspaper may be published, and at least once a week for four months successively, prior to the day fixed on for the meeting of the auditors for the purpose aforesaid, in one daily newspaper of the city of Philadelphia: and the said auditors having met at the time and place appointed, and being sworn or affirmed to perform their duty with impartiality and fidelity, shall, after being satisfied that the notices were served on the several heirs, or publication made in the newspapers agreeably to the directions of this act, proceed to ascertain and settle the amount of the advancements made to the heirs, and also ascertain the amount of the distributive share of the intestate's estate, to which the heirs respectively shall be entitled, according to the evidence laid before them: and the said auditors having met as aforesaid, may adjourn from time to time, or in case two of them only should meet at the time appointed, it shall and may be lawful for the two attending auditors to appoint a third person as auditor, who shall be sworn or affirmed as aforesaid, to perform the duties aforesaid. And the auditors appointed as aforesaid, after hearing and examining the evidence laid before them, shall make a report of their proceedings to the stated orphans' court of the proper county, which report shall be confirmed by the judges of the said court, and be conclusive and binding on the heirs, unless it be made appear to the satisfaction of the said judges, that injustice will be done by the confirmation of the same, in which case other auditors shall be appointed by the said court, for the purposes aforesaid.

Auditors may adjourn.

Report to be made to orphans' court.

JACOB HOLGATE, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate*.

APPROVED—the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

## CHAPTER CXXVI.

An ACT to vest the estate of Gideon Dunn, late of the county of Delaware, in his wife and representatives.

WHEREAS, it is represented to the legislature, that Gideon

Dunn, of the county of Delaware, left his family in August, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, being at that time possessed of considerable property, real and personal, situate in the said county; that no information has been obtained respecting the said Gideon since that period, and his wife and children not being able to take and enjoy his property, have prayed for a law to vest the same in them: Therefore,

SECT. I. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That all the estate and estates, rights, possessions and property, real and personal, of Gideon Dunn, late of Delaware county, be, and the same is hereby vested in the wife and legal representatives of the said Gideon, in such manner and in such proportions as is directed and provided by the intestate laws of this commonwealth, in cases where persons die intestate: Provided, That if the said Gideon Dunn shall hereafter return, this act shall be null and void.*

JACOB HOLGATE, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

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## CHAPTER CXXVII.

An ACT to authorize James Barton and George Biddis, their heirs or assigns, to convey water from a spring or stream of water called the Vandine Kill, into the town of Milford, in the county of Pike.

WHEREAS, James Barton and George Biddis, of the town of Milford, in the county of Pike, have represented to the legislature, that they, as well as many others of the inhabitants of said town, labour under great inconveniencies for want of a sufficient supply of good water for their immediate use, and that they are the proprietors of a spring in the rear of said town, of sufficient elevation to be conveyed into every part of the same, and affording a sufficient body of water for the accommodation of all the inhabitants thereof, praying that a law may be passed, authorizing them, their heirs or assigns, to introduce and convey the water of said spring into the town aforesaid, along the streets and alleys thereof: And whereas, it is desirable at all times, to have a sufficient supply of wholesome water, as well for the health and comfort of the citizens, as for affording security against accidents by fire: Therefore,

SECT. I. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for James Barton and George Biddis, their heirs or assigns, to convey the water from a spring or stream*